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INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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COPENHAGEN FOR RFA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIS, UR

SUBJ: SOVIET FISH SALES IN WEST AFRICA

1. DURING FISH EXPO IN DAKAR, SENAGAL RFA LEARNED THAT JOINT TRAWLERS, OF SWEDEN, IS BUYING FISH FROM USSR STERN TRAWLERS IN DAKAR. PRODUCT IS THEN RE-EXPORTED TO ABIDJAN, IVORY COAST AS PRODUCT OF SENEGAL, THUS AVOIDING 20-PERCENT SURCHARGE ON SOVIET FISH.

2. RFA, FOLLOWING EARLIER VISIT TO ABIDJAN, POUCHED OIF, NMFS/NOAA/DOC LISTING OF FOREIGN-FLAG VESSEL UNLOADING FISH IN ABIDJAN. ONE SUCH VESSEL, BELIEVED TO BE "SIERRA FRIA" WAS PHOTOGRAPHED BY RFA IN DAKAR BEING SUPPLIED BY TRUCK SHOWING "TRANSPORTS FRIGORIFIQUES" (RENE PERRET-OWNER).

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3. DURING RFA'S VISIT TO FISHING HARBOR IN LIME, TOGO (ARRANGED BY TOGOLESE DELEGATION TO CECAF MEETING), RFA WATCHED TRUCK WITH NAME "AFRICAN FOOD" UNLOAD CARTONS OF SOVIET-CAUGHT, FROZEN MACKEREL AT OFFICE NATIONAL DES ABATTOIRS ET FRIGORIFIZES COLD STORAGE PLANT IN LOME. PLANT MANAGER INDICATED THEY PURCHASED 12,000 TONS OF SOVIET-CAUGHT FISH PER

YEAR. CASES WERE UNMARKED EXCEPT FOR A SMALL PRINTED TRIANGLE WITH DIAGONAL LINES INSIDE TRIANGLE. FIRM REPORTEDLY PAYS \$280 PER TON FOR MACKEREL WHICH IS DELIVERED IN 30 KILOGRAM CARTONS. PRODUCT REPORTEDLY IS THEN SOLD FOR \$0.44/KG, (\$440/TON) OR \$13.06 PER CARTON. MONJO

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